

SATURDAY EVENING, FEB. 24, 1906.

THE AUTHORITIES of this city have made another movement toward clearing up the seysterious circumstances in connection with the murder of George R. Cartin, which occurred some time during the wee sma' hours of the 24th of last December. Previous attempts had been made to bring the guilty parties to justice, but as nothing positive could be adduced by which a conviction would follow, the suspects were liberated. Enough was ascertained, however, to convince the authorities that the perpetrators of the murder were in the city. The first examination, which was preliminary, brought out many significant facts, and close espionage has since been exercised over certain parties believed to have been implicated either before or after the fact. As time has gone on these suspicions have been strengthened and yesterday another movement was inaugurated which, it is believed, will be more fruitful. The authorities are now convinced that evidence has been procured which can neither be gainsayed nor resisted, and it is thought that ere long the publie will know all the details in connec tion with the shocking tragedy.

THIS is becoming more and more paternal government. Congressman Grosvenor, of Obio, who was so ignominiously defeated for renomination by his constituents at the republican dis trict convention held in his district on Wednesday, it is now said will be "taken care of" by the administration for the services he has rendered the party. The term of Mr. Grosvenor does not expire until March of next year, and the President, who will have a number of good places open by that time, it is now said, will be glad to give one of them to the Ohioan. While a diplomatic post is talked of the suggestion has been made that "the interstate commerce commission would be more suitable to the talents of the defeated representative."

IN THE House on Wednesday Mr. all urged or mplete preparedness of the ny and navy against China. On the ne day in Chicago Secretary Taft urged ilg army while at Annapolis Secretary maparte spoke in favor of a big navy. All of these use China as the bug-aboo to force big appropriations and the increase of the army and navy. But from reliable sources come reports that China is peaceful and bas no idea of attacking the United States and no sane disinterested man believes for an instant that she has. A war of the United States against China may not come, but it will not be for want of painting it in the most lurid colors on the wall.

mond that there will be no extra session of the legislature and that with only about 50 out of 1,700 bills that were introduced having become laws, the members are addressing themselves to finishing up the thirteen working days that are left of the session. Of the fifty bills passed but few are of general importance and much time of the session has been wasted in considering them. It is understood that when those who favored an extra session became convinced that the Governor would not call one, they decided to go to work and make the best of the regular session.

CHAIRMAN HULL, of the military affairs committee, in presenting the army appropriation bill to the House on Wednesday urged the necessity of complete it is expected a decision will be reached, preparedness as to the army and navy If Senator Beveridge will oppose the nesday urged the necessity of complete for trouble in the Orient. He declared that any nation not prepared to defend its position in China might as well haul down its flag and quit the Pacific. One of the most regretable things that ever happened to this country was the raising of its flag in the Pacific and those who have at heart its interests wish it would quit. Why the United States should be interfering in Chinese affairs is more than passing strange.

THE Spanish war pension roll is increasing at an astonishing rate, as was expected, for it is a well known fact that thousands of men enlisted at the beginning of that "war" with the sole object of getting a pension. In 1899 the Spanish war roll was only \$28,000. It is now up to \$3,409,000, and growing fast. And these names will stay on the rolls for many years to come. It was stated on the floor of Congress recently that more men are now drawing Spanish war pensions than Gen. Shafter had in his army in Cuba.

THE Iowa legislature has passed a bill making it a misdemeanor to discharge Arecrackers or toy pistols on the Fourth of July. The noisy celebrations of the American holidaye are growing intolerable and protests against such nuisances are being heard on all sides. The New York Tribune says: "It is time all the States were uniting to abolish the excesses which turn our greatest national holiday into a mere celebration of the pension bills.

nuisance making powers of the small boy and the manufacturer of explosives.

SINCE the defeat of Congressman Grosvenor, of Ohio, for a renomination, reports come from Pennsylvania to the effect that Mr. Dalzell, another "standpatter," will have trouble in securing a renomination. An uprising against Mr. Dalzell is reported from his district, which is already said to have attained such proportions as to seriously endanger his renomination. His place could easily be filled.

#### From Washington.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.

Washington, Feb. 24. This is the day that the Chinese up ising is scheduled to occur, according warning from several apparently reliable Chinamen. The State Department, however, says that its information from Pe king and the consular headquarters along the seaboard of northern and southern China fail to report violence or armed demonstrations of any kind. The warn-ings were to the effect that the lives of oreigners in the interior of China would e in dat ger on and after February 24th. the day set by the leaders of the antiforeign propaganda for the actual be of trouble. Minister Rockhill ent a dispatch under today's date which was received here this morning in which uo mention was made of trouble. The lispatch was in answer to a routine inquiry on department business, but the officials presumed that it anything worth mentioning had occurred Mr. Rockhill would have made a reference to it. Rate bill Senators and Representatives slocked to the White House during the

early morning hours, and most of them professed to be hugely pleased over the turn things had taken in the Senate. Senator Dolliver, who is supposed to have been slapped in the face by the election of Tillman as rate bill manager in the Senate, was one of the first to reach the President's office. He laughed out loud when asked his sentiments and out loud when asked his sentiments and exclaimed: "I've found no gloom around here over that move. It is a victory for the bill. The bill will be enacted into law." "Are you going to bring Senator Tillman to the White House when he comes to consult with the President about the measure ?" was a question propounded to the Iowa Senator. I don't know," he replied with another laugh. "But you know what the President has said about Tillman; you know why he says he likes him because he is a fighter and an hone-t man." Soon after Senator Dolliver left the White House n company with Senator Hopkins, Repesentatives Hepburn and Townsend ar rived and hurried into the President's ffice. Mr. Townsend after his conference with the President said that the executive was "pleased" with the situation as it stands. "He may not be entirely as it stands. satisfied" qualified Mr. Townsend, "be-cause there are one or two things that he might have liked better, but on the whole he is in fine spirits.

Senator Dick still has the unfinished

part of his speech on the statehood bill deliver and he hopes to be able to disposed of it on Monday. The Tillman-fillespie resolution passed by the House vesterday directing an investigation of the coal-carrying railroad, will be pres-ented to the Senate Monday. It will be referred to a conference committee to consider the changes made in it by the House. The statehood bill is the regular order of business for each afternoon after two o'clock. The prediction has peen made that the bill will be passed by the Senate with the Foraker amendment attached, allowing Arizona and New Mexico to vote successfully on the question of their union into one State. The debate on the army appropriation under the five minute rule and the mes sure will then be passed. It will be fol-lowed by the Indian appropriation bil!, and the proceedings will again be enlivened by attempts on the part of Floor THE pleasing report comes from Rich- Lender Payne, of New York, to secure consideration of his bill to consolida customs districts.

President Roosevelt declined an invitation from the Travelers' Protective Association today to attend the annual convention of the body, which meets at Buffalo on June 1 th.

An effort is being made to secure an agreement whereby the statehood bill will be laid aside temporarily in the Senate for the purpose of allowing the railroad rate bill to take its pl ce as the unfinished business. Senator Aldrich will consult with Senator Beveridge who is in charge of the statehood bill with the object of getting his consent. Fena-tor Aldrich's idea is to give the railroad might arise if there was delay in giving consideration to that subject in the Sen-ate. Senator Beveridge is out of town sidetracking of the statehood bill as suggested an effort will be made to fix an early day for a vote on statehood. There is some question, however, whether the democrats will allow a vote to be taken on the statebood bill until the vote is had on the railroad bill.

The House committee on interstate and foreign commerce yesterday unanimously favored an amendment to the Hepburn pure-food bill, which prevents the giving of additional power to Dr. Wiley, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry in the Department of Agriculture, and places the authority to fix food standards is the hands of a commission of a beard of disinterested experts.

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Charles W Werden, 54 years old, a former radroad engineer, living at 329 Eleventh strets southwest, committed suicide last night by inhaling illuminating gas. He attached a ribber tube to the gas jet in the bathroom. The Court of Appeals has denied the petigen for a writ of error in the case of Manuel pairs, recently sentenced to three mouths in jail for making a handbook on the races.

# Fifty-ninth Congress.

Washington, Feb. 23.

SENATE.

The Senate was not in session today, having adjourned Thursday until Mon-

The House today transacted miscellaneous and pension business. Mr. Staf-ford objected to a request for unanimous consent for the consideration of a bill to permit revenue collectors to make known the names of persons who take out internal revenue licenses.

The object of the bill is to furnish Commonwealth, a divorce so obtained evidence against "Blind Tigers," in shall be of no force or effect in this

prohibiting districts.

The House considered 413 private

News of the Day.

Mr. Stretchley Chinn died at his home, near Winson, Loudoun county, this week, aged 40 years.

The new Union station at Washington, Baltimore and Obio officials figure, will be ready for occupancy by about January 1, 1907.

Lester Ruffner was convicted at Luray esterday of attempting to kill his cousin, David Ruffner, and was sentenced to an additional year in prison. Secretary Bonaparte has accepted the

resignation of Jerdon P. Kimbrough, of Tennessee, the hazing of whom was the cause of the investigation of Naval Academy affairs. Wu Ting-Fang, ex-Minister from China to the United States, in an inter-view yesterday supported the hoycott of

American goods, but says this is not anti-foreign in its aim. The Anchorage, the estate of the late Brig-Gen. Richard Lee Page, located in Clarke county, has been sold by its present owner, Mr. M. Foley, to Mr. George A. Pine. The price paid was

County Treasurer E. J. Hynicka, of Hamilton county, Ohio, yesterday tesi fied before the committee investigating public affairs that he received \$20,000 as gratuities for depositing county funds

in certain banks. As stated in the Gazette of that day through democratic votes the Senate committee yesterday decided to report the Hepburn-Dolliver railway-rate bill without amendment. Senator Tillman is to have charge of the bill.

Mrs. Josephine Ward Swann, widow Maryland, was stricken with paralysis in the street, in Washington yesterday. The stroke has rendered her helpless and the attending physician says she cannot ive many hours.

To correct a report that the date for the coming reunion of United Confederate Veterans in New Orleans had been changed from April to May, Gen. Stephen D. Lee, commander-in-chief of the veterans, has issued an order to the effect that the dates first named, April 25, 26 and 27, will stand for the annual gathering.

The entire electoral board of Richmond resigned yesterday. They came in for heavy criticism during the prosecution of the primary irregularities and, while they would not retire while under fire, they waited only long enough for the matter to become quiet, and yester-day morning handed a paper to the clerk of the Hustings Court, withdrawing.

An elopers' marrige took place at Bristol, Tenn., at midnight Thursday night, in a carriage drawn by galloping horses and pursued by an irate mother in another carriage. The contracting parties were Miss Elizabeth Clark, a beautiful young woman from Max Meadows, Wythe county, who became the bride of F. M. Tate, an employee of the commissary department of the South and Western Railway at Clinchport.

Another indictment was returned against Representative Blackburn by the grand jury in the United States District Court at Ashville, N. C , yesterday, in which Blackburn is alleged to have received a fee of \$50 for compromising he case of W. R. Krider. It is alleged that he secured a recommendation for compromise from the department persuasion, representation and letter writing." Mr. Blackburn said in Washington vesterday that he would go home

The Butte Coal and Iron Mining Company was incorporated at Trenton, N. J., today. The authorized capital stock is \$15,000,000.

# Virginia News.

Mr. Hugh Burke died Thursday is his home at Goshen Church. He was 75 years old.

A meeting of the Virginia Horse Show Association will be held at the New Willard Hotel, Washington, next Wednesday, February 28.

Col. R. H. Dulany, owner of Mitchell and Friesland farms at Front Royal, has sold Friesland for \$17,200, which is a little over \$22 per acre.

The Mary Custis Lee Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, of Lexington, has purchased the Stonewall Jackson residence in that town for \$2,000. The average cost at the three Virginia

hospitals for the insane is stated to be \$104 per capita, per annum, which is lower than at the majority of the asylumns throughout the country. Miss Mary Lee, who was severely in-

jured at Millwood last week by being hrown from a buggy by a runaway bill right of way as soon as possible in horse, is thought to be entirely out of order to forestall any criticism that might arise if there was delay in giving expected. Mr. Max Mertz, a young man tliving

near Nokesville, committed suicide Saturday last by shooting himself in the head. He had been in bad health for several years and his mind had been seriously impaired.

The Winchester and Washington Street Railway Company has awarded the contract for the new power house on the Shenandoah river, at Millville, W. Va., to Beller and Hardy, of Charlestown. The structure, which is be of brick, will be completed by May 1.

During the cold, high wind at noon on Thursday of last week the handsome residence of Mrs. Roberta Gold, three miles southwest of Deleplane, caught fire and was totally destroyed. The burned dwelling was extensively improved about three years ago and at the time of the fire was one of the finest houses in its locality.

# The Divorce Congress.

The Divorce Congress which adjourned in Washington Thursday night after a four days' session, will meet next August with the American Bar Association in St. Paul. By that time it is ex. pected that the committee on resolutions will be ready to submit a code of uniform divorce laws.

Much of Thursday night's session was given over to the discussion of the resolution aimed at migratory divorces. Chairman Smith reported the following:
"Each State should adopt a statute

embodying the principle contained in the Massachusetts act which is as fol-low: 'If an inhabitant of this Commonwealth goes into another State or county to obtain a divorce for a cause which occurred here while the parties resided here, or for a cause which would not authorize a divorce by the laws of this

Commonwealth." After a general discussion the resolu-tion was adopted. THE LEGISLATURE. SENATE.

Senator Walker, of Northumberland, of the committee on fish and game, yesterday offered in the Senate a bill following the lines agreed upon by the joint commission from the Maryland and Virginia legislatures as its recent session in Richmond. The bill provided for concur-rent jurisdiction of the two states on the Potomac river. It prohibits the taking or selling of oysters ot less than two and a half inches in length, provides for inspection and fixes penalties for violation of the act. A similar bill was presented in the House and it is stated that a similar measure will be presented to the Mary-

land legislature.

A joint resolution requesting the President of the United States to advance Pay Director William W. Galt one grade on the list of paymasters in the navy, in recognition of the valuable services he rendered during the Spanish-American war, was offered by Mr. Sale. Senator Sale offered a new tax commission bill, which provides for a per-manent commission of the three members with salary of \$3,000, who shall undertake the equalization of taxes in the State and have the supervision of all tax

matters.

An amendment was offered by Senator Shands yesterday to the judicial circuit bill, which was engrossed Thursday, providing for the Twenty-eighth judicial circuit, to be composed of the city of Portsmouth, Isle of Wight and Princess Anne counties. The Senate agreed to the amendment. If the proposed amendfirst circuit ment becomes effective the will consist of Norfolk county alone. It was said to have been necessary to tack Portsmouth on to Princess Anne and Isle of Wight to get the requisite popu-

lation-40,000. The Lassiter road bill, appropriating \$25,000 for the purpose of creating a lic roads or the State, and providing for the working of inmates of the county jails on the public roads of the State, for employing guards for the prisoners, and for paying for the transportation of the convicts and their board, was discussed by the Senate at great length, and finally passed.

A bill was presented in the afternoon by Senator Sale, providing that in cities of 30,000 inhabitants or more there shall be a civil trial justice, who shall be a lawyer of at least five years' practice of his profession, to be elected by a joint session of the general assembly, to hold office for a term of four years, and to receive a salary of \$2,500 a year, which is to be paid by the city in which the civil justice shall reside. The bill allows the civil justice to have jurisdiction in all civil matters up to \$300. Provision is made for an appeal when the amount involved, including interest, shall be as much as \$20. The bill was referred to

the committee on courts of justice.

The Machen bill for regulating lending of money in small niture and household goods was reported from the Senate finance committee, with recommendation that the measure be Some amendments were recommended, but the evils complained of have been cured by the amended bill. The amendments are satisfactory to the patron of the measure
Mr. Shackelford, of Orange, chairman

of the committee on privileges and election, reported the Machen primary bill

adversely.

The Senate committee at its session last night, after a spirited debate, re-ported favorably the Rew crab bill. The vote on the measure stood 3 to 2, the chairman not voting. It was rumored last night that if all the members of the committee had been present at the hearing the bill would have been de-

The bill introduced by Mr. Parker, of Norfolk county, which passed the comcounties, cities and towns mittee on Thursday without opposition or com-ment, create considerable stir when it offered by Mr. Pettitt Thursday shutting out railroad attorneys from seats in the legislature is mild as compared to Mr. Parker's measure. The bill is designed "to prevent any stockholder, member or employe of any corporation using any public street or other property of any city or town, or any public road, street, bridge or other property of any county by right of lease, contract or franchise from becoming a member of the council of any city or town or board of supervis-

ors of any country."

The House committee on schools and colleges rendered an adverse report on Mr. Hillenburg's bill to prevent hazing in the schools and college; in the State. Mr. Hillenburg introduced the bill by

Mr. Owens offered a bill to reorganize the medical service of the Virginia volunteers. It provides that the medical department shall consist of a medical corps, a hospital corps, and such trained nurses, clerks, and other employes as may be allowed by law. The medical corps, it is proposed, shall consist of a chief surgeon, with the rank of colonel. for each organized division or the neces-sary number of troops therefor; a brigade surgeon, with the rank of lieutenant colonel, for each organized brigade, or the necessary number of troops therefor, and the necessary surgeons to perform the medical services for the State.

A second session of the House was held in the afternoon, lasting several hours. The Torrens system bill, which came up on its engrossment, was the bone of contention among the members. The debate on the question was one of the most spirited of any during the pres-ent assembly session. The House re-fused to engross the bill, the vote on the proposition being 50 against and 28 for. This action kills the measure.

The House committee has made a favorable report on Mr. Barrett's bill to place water, gas and electric companies under control of the Corporation Commission.

A bill has been introduced in the House by Mr. Caton to amend an act in relation to raising revenues for the support of the government, public schools, etc., and providing for a tax on the capital stock of transportation companies.

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Mr. Parker has introduced a bill to prevent Mr. Parker has introduced a bill to prevent any stockholders, members or employes of any corporation using any public street or other property of any city or town, or any public road, street or bridge or other property of any county by right of lease, contract or fran-chise, from becoming a member of the coun-cil of any city or town, or hoard of super-visors of any county.

Today's Telegraphic News Vanderbilts Mobbed

New York, Feb 24 .- Advices ceived today from Florence, Italy, indicate that the detention of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. K. Vanderbilt, jr., and their chaufleur, at Pontereda, yesterday, as the result of an automobile accident in which they ran down and injured a small boy, was a more serious affair than al first reported. According to the ad vices today, the Vanderbilts and their chaufleur were mobbed. Mr. Vander-bilt believing their lives were in peril, drew a revolver, but before he could use it several men jumped into the automo-bile, [disasmed him, and kicked and cuffed him. Later, Mr. Vanderbilt and the chauffeur were arrested, after gendarmes had resuced the parties the mob, and are being held. Mrs. Vanderbilt was sent to the best hotel in the little town. The accident occurred, it is reported, as the car was making a short turn in the street, although it was not moving rapidly. The child, a five year old boy, was knocked down. He was not badly hurt, but his face was covered with blood. Mrs. Vanderbilt escaped to a store from the mob. The store was surrounded by excited people and attempts were made to batter in the doors. The gendarmes arrived and pre-vented the mob from accomplishing

Ex-Speaker Henderson Dying. Dubuque, Iowa, Feb. 24.—Col. David B. Henderson is sinking fast. Attending physicians have given out a bulletin saying death is momentarily expected. At times Mr. Henderson suffers considerably, though he is fighting bravely to the last. When the fever is at its height his mind wanders, and the former Speaker reviews scenes of his childhood, battles in the civil war and his career in Congress. His wife is constantly at his bedside. Numerous telegrams have been received from friends throughout the country offering sympathy. Only mem-bers of the family are permitted in the sick room at Mercy Hospital, where the statesman is lying. During the last few days when Mr. Henderson suffered more than at any time, during his illness, he has been the most composed in the room. He realizes he is dying, and his effort to cheer his wife and family makes a

Military Academy Destroyed. Gambier, O., Feb. 24.'-Kenyon Military Academy, a college preparatory, burned down this morning. Three students, young boys, are missing. Three others are badly injured. Four buildings were destroyed. The origin of the When discovered the main building was on fire in several different places. Many of the boys and caped in their night clothes. Gambier being without fire protection, nothing could be done to stop the progress of the flames. Mount Vernon, five miles away, was appealed to for aid, but the department could not get here in time

The remains of the missing students were found later. Two students and a master are probably dying from their

Privy Councillor Murdered

Warsaw, Polard, Feb. 24.—Privy ouncillor Ivanoff, a director of the Vistula Railways, and a man noted for his bitter anti-Polish sentiments, was shot and killed this morning in Bracka

street. The assassin escaped. St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—The feeling of uneasiness in financial circles over the lack of a sufficient gold reserve is growing more acute. The Russ declares that the government has arranged with that the government has arranged with French bankers for a loan of 450,000,-000 roubles. The issue price will be 92 foot roads or streets (properly labeled alwith 14 per cent commission, the loan to erest at six per cent.

The Miners' Demands.

New York, Feb. 24.-Anthracite coal operators are preparing today to conreached the House yesterday. The bill sider the demands of the coal miners which were forwarded to President Baer, of the Reading Company, by registered mail at midnight last night by President Mitchell, after they had been ratified by a meeting of the full scale committee of thirty-six of the anthracite mine workers. The demands have already been made public in their general form, and it is the general belief this morning that they will be uniformly refused.

James W. Alexander's Condition.

New York, Feb. 24.—The latest re-port from the bedside of James W. Alex ander, former President of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, who is ill at his home in this city, was to the effect that Mr. Alexander was resting weil, and that he was much better. While the second operation performed yesterday was more serious than had been expected, it was said that the patient stood the period of primary shock very well.

The United States and Turkey.

Constantinople, Feb. 24.-Negotia tions have been going on for some time between the Sultan and the United States in reference to better protection for Americans in Turkey. Leishman has an appointment with the Sultan in order to perfect details. this negotiation is successful, it will be the biggest diplomatic triumph that Constantinople has experienced for a

Lavs Claim to Fortune. Geneva, Switzerland, Feb. 24.—/ Swiss bootmaker named Marshall, native of the town of Sion in the canton of Valais, has laid claim to the fortune of the late Marshall Field, the American merchant. Marshall says that Mr. Field was his uncle and that he left Switzerland in 1841. The government has referred the claim to the Minister at Washington.

Camden, N. J., Feb. 24.—Elick Ban-tam, 35 years old, colored, was shot dead at his home 347 Joint Alley, early

Stepson Accused of Murder.

this morning. His wife Ella accuses Elton Purnell, Bantam's stepson, of committing the deed. The latter it is said, was angered because his mother had married Bantam. Purnell has escaped.

Galveston's Sea Wall

county by right of lease, contract or franchise, from becoming a member of the council of any city or town, or board of supervisors of any county.

The report circulated in New York to the effect that Henry H. Rogers, the Standard oil millionaire, was seriously ill with circosis of the liver, was unfounded.

Do not be deceived by counterfeits when you buy Witch Hazel Salve. The name of E. C. De Witt & Co. is on every box of the genuine. Best for Cuts, Burns, Boils, Tetter, Files, etc.

Galveston's Sea Wall makes life now as safe in that city as on the higher upland. E. W. Goodloe, who reside on Dutton St., in Waces, Tex., needs no sea wall for safety. He writes: "I have used Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption the past five years and it keeps me well and for years had been growing worse. Now it's gone." Cures chronic Coughs, La Grippe, Croup, Whooping Cough and prevents Pueumonia. Pleasant to take. Every bottle genuine. Best for Cuts, Burns, Boils, Tetter, Files, etc.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]
Richmond, Va., Feb. 24.—The House held no session today adjourning, out of respect to the memory of Dr. Cochran. The remains will leave for The Plains this afternoon.

Hart Knocked Out, Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 24.—Marvin Hart, the Louisville plumber, who has been claiming the heavy weight championship, had his title aspirations knock-ed out of him here last night by Tommy Burns, of Detroit. They fought twenty rounds and the referee gave the fight to

Resignation.

New York, Feb. 24—Effingham B. Morris, president of the Girard Trust Company, of Philadelphia, today sent in his resignation as a trustee of the Mutual Life Insurance Company. This is in line with the resignation of Mr. Fish. Mr. Morris was asked at the time the Truesdale investigation committee was being formed to become a member of that committee. He declined to serve on the ground that his business interests in Philadelphia would not permit of his giving the time necessary to such an undertaking. Mr. Morris then put himself on record as favoring a thorough investigation.

Foul Play Suspected,

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 24.—Isaac Long, one of the most prominent farmers in this county, who was found on a public road in an unconscious condition, near his home, Old Town, last night, died this morning. Foul play is suspected. He was 40 years old and unmarried. Recently he fell heir to a large fortune.

#### COURT OF APPEALS.

Judge Keith yesterday handed down an opinion in the Court of Appeals setting forth the right and the limitations of rights of common carriers, particularly street railways.

The case of Townsend against the Norfolk Railway and Light Company came up on appeal from the Circuit Court of Norfolk. Mr. Townsend brought action against the railway com pany to prevent defacing or injuring his property. The decision of the Circuit Court was in his favor. In Judge Keith's opinion, public-service corpora-tions are held, in the performance of duties, to operate in two distinct capacities-between their acts in public and private.

by their charters, and private duties are those done by permissive authority. In brief, the opinion holds that the power house which damages property by smoke, dust, etc., is one of the private opera-tions of the company, and it is therefore liable for damages, differentiating be tween the damages caused by the opera tions of trains over the roads.

Proceedings of the Supreme Court of Appeals were as follows.

Everett Waddey Company, etc., vs. Richmond Typographical Union, No. 90, and others; fully argued by W. R. Meridith for the appellants and submitted.

Southern Railway Company vs. Jones; continued

tined.
Schwain vs. Beardsley; contined.
Richmond Standard Steel Pike and Iron
Company; submitted on briefs.
Newport News and Old Point Railway and
Electric Company vs. L.ke, argued by S.
Gordon Cusomings for the plaintiff in error
and Marshall R. Peterson for the defendant

error, and submitted, Southern Railway Company vs. Hill; con-Newport News and Old Point Railway and lectric Company va. Bickford; partly argued ad continued until this morning.

Public Roads.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette. 1406 G street, northwest, Washington, D. C., Feb. 21. Dear Senator Martin: I write to ask if it is possible to get through the Genoral Assembly a general law that will provide for wider public roads near large

You doubtless know that in Alexan-

This matter in my humble opinion is of vital interest to the growth and pros-

perity of our county. I will make a trip to Richmond and appear before the committee on counties, cities and towns, if you think it advistention of Mr. Caton and advise me and oblige, Yours truly,

R. H. PHILLIPS. The city of Washington in respect to its wide and convenient streets is a result of forethought of one hundred and fifteen years ago. Let us imitate it.

A young woman who registered at the Riedgeway House, Delaware Avenue, and Market street, Philadelphia, as Bessie Powell was found dead in her room today. She had committed suicide by shooting herself through the head with a revolver. On the bureau, a note was found, which read: "Dear Mother: "I have ended my life. I have \$175 in bank, which you can take to bury me. Please bury me under the name of Mrs. Sweeney." No motive for the suicide can

LOST.

L OST.—On Thurday night on Princestreet
a brown FUR BOA. The finder will be
liberally rewarded by returning it to No. 514
Prince street.

OST.—On February 22ud, either in Alexandria or on the ferry boat, a lady a hunting case GOLD WATCH, engraved "C. C."
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